



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### TRAFFIC INCIDENT MANAGEMENT DAY

- WHEREAS: Established in 2002, the Metro Atlanta Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) Task Force works to improve traffic incident management among all agencies and jurisdictions involved in traffic incident response in the Metro Atlanta region through enhanced multi-agency communication, coordination, and cooperation; and
- WHEREAS: In 2016, the Metro Atlanta TIME Task Force was re-established as the Georgia TIME Task Force, a statewide management program aimed at facilitating the safest and fastest roadway clearance and lessening the impact on emergency responders and the motoring public; and
- WHEREAS: Transportation professionals estimate nearly 50 percent of traffic congestion and delays on freeways are due to crashes, spills, and disabled vehicles; and
- WHEREAS: By decreasing incident response and clearance times, the Georgia TIME Task Force has helped to reduce traffic congestion and delays, improve the safety of motorists and traffic incident responders, and enhance the quality of life for our citizens by lessening the overall impacts of traffic incidents; and
- WHEREAS: The Georgia TIME Task Force has remained a national leader in traffic incident management for more than a decade by establishing innovative programs such as the Towing and Recovery Incentive Program; spearheading the adoption and endorsement of the Georgia Open Roads Policy; providing training to incident responders; producing the Georgia Traffic Incident Management Guidelines; and facilitating the development of local Traffic Incident Management Teams throughout the state; and
- WHEREAS: It is imperative Georgia motorists abide by "Move Over", "Steer It, Clear It", and "Hands-Free Driving" laws in order to improve traffic incident management and support the critical efforts of the Georgia TIME Task Force; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 29, 2018, as TRAFFIC INCIDENT MANAGEMENT DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen.



Nathan Deal  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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CHIEF OF STAFF